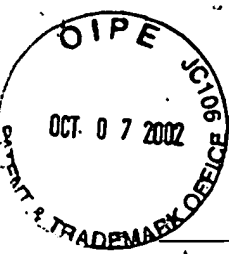


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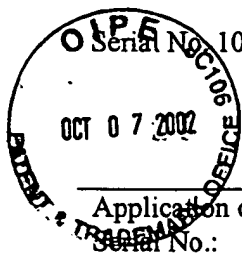
In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed by the PTO on August 1, 2002, Applicants request that the following amendment be made to the above-referenced application.

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Please insert the attached abstract to the Specification, (said Abstract was added to the Application by way of a Preliminary Amendment, filed with the United States Patent & Trademark Office on May 7, 2002; a copy of which is enclosed herewith) on a new page at the end of the Application:

(SEE ATTACHED ABSTRACT ON SEPARATE SHEET)

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**AMENDMENT**

**In the Specification**

On page 1 of the specification, before the first paragraph and after the title of the Application, please insert the following paragraphs and new headings:

**-PRIORITY**

The present application is a continuation application of PCT/GB00/03035, filed August 7, 2000, which claims priority to GB application GB 9918611.6 filed August 7, 1999.

**TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

The invention is related to the field of search engines and databases adapted to search for particular musical sequences or phrases in a database of sound files in a computer system.